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THURSDAY next will be a day of
Thanksgiving and prayer for the
people of Kauai, we feel sure, can
appropriately
Much To Be join in the ob-
Thankful For servance of the
occasion.

During the last year, nature has
brought to us a bountiful return
from our plantations, labor has
been generally employed at fair
wages, and business has been both
active and prosperous. We have
enjoyed a freedom from lawless-
ness and public disorder, our laws
have been satisfactorily observed
and impartially enforced, without
recourse to extreme or unusual
efforts.

Our public service has been effi-
ciently conducted and free from
scandals or abuses, the public
health has been safeguarded and
improved, our public schools have
furnished adequate opportunity for
an education, while the conditions
of life have furnished an equal
opportunity for success and
achievement.

We are ten-pagers old today.

It is said that all the aviation
accidents are due to a defective
flew.

If an aviator should go into the
newspaper business he would very
likely publish a fly paper.

What has become of the snappy
English section of the O. Luso?
It certainly is very much missed.

We are publishing elsewhere in
this issue a communication from
Miss Ethel Lee Toma, a former
Kalaheo teacher who is attending
college in Ypsilanti, Michigan.
Miss Toma enjoys the distinction
of being the only student in the
school from fair Hawaii, and is
creating a most favorable impres-
sion.

The figure I thought that it was
doing a great stunt January 1, this
year, when it appeared thus "1-1-
11. And on the second Wednes-
day in January it looked still bigger
thus "1-11-11." And July 11
was a great day for crap shooters
when it appeared thus "7-11-11." But
the crowning feature of the
figure's achievement this year was
November 11, when it boomed up
thus "11-11-11."

When the teachers' salary sched-
ule is an open public record that
is in the possession of one or more
officials on each of the islands, it
can hardly be termed a secret
document. Some of the criticism
that is being offered sounds like
the advance shots of an attack
intended to force a return to the old
system of underpaid teachers in
the public schools. Bulletin.

It is difficult to distinguish any
difference in the two systems when
they both amount to the same thing.
If the Bulletin supports a system
which allows an assistant a salary
equal to or in some cases more
than that of a principal's, then its
past record in support of "living
salaries for teachers," would ap-
pear to have been gained through
mere prejudice.

Referring to Kauai as a "baro-
nial reserve" and indulging in
further remarks bearing the sym-
ptoms of a beginner, would hardly
on general principles, be a policy
conducive to a successful subscrip-
tion contest campaign. It is worthy
of mention, however, that when

Honolulu is in need of funds for
educational institutions etc. that
the "baronial reserve," usually
plays the trump card. As an in-
stance a certain college not long
since required the sum of \$39,000
for building purposes. It got it
all right, but \$35,000 of the
amount was furnished by the
"baronial reserve."

Did Statret or the small farmer
make it possible for our "barons"
to render this substantial aid to
such a laudable cause? Indeed
they did not. The very labor
such as that for which we are said
to be so eagerly seeking, made it
possible. Of course Kauai wants
laborers. And we might add that
in truth they are far more welcome
than many inflated hobby-riders
who make it a point of living in
luxuriously appointed offices at
the expense of those who fall a
prey to their schemes.

"I HAVE reigned three years, and
have always acted conscientiously
in the interests of the people. But
I have not em-
Partners In played men pro-
Distress perly as I am with-
out political skill.
I have employed too many nobles
in official positions. The people
are grumbling, yet I do not know.
Disaster looms ahead, but I do not
see."—Emperor of China in im-
perial edict.

"Now we are at—some people
think—the crisis in the republican
party with reference to its con-
tinuance in the guidance of the
nation. I am hopeful that the
good people of the country, who
know a good thing when they see
it, have only chastened us in an
off-year, in order that we may be
better hereafter, but with no in-
tention of shifting from shoulders
that are fitted to bear the burdens
of the present problems and carry
them to a successful solution, to
those which are untried and which
have new theories of action that
we don't believe the people be-
lieve in.

"However, if so be it that they
desire to make a change, we shall
loyally support the new govern-
ment under any conditions, with
the hope it will inure to the benefit
of the country, but with the con-
solation that, if after one trial the
people think they ought to go back
to the old party that has served
them so well in the progressive
days of the nation, they will do
so we can bear that, my friends,
that is all."—President Taft at
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